

RESIST  
EVERY  
YARD

French Retire Stubbornly Before Tremendous Offensive in Caillette Wood, Between Douaumont and Vaux—To-day Regained a Part of the Ground Lost Sunday Night

FIGHTING CONTINUED  
ALL THROUGH NIGHT

Germans Have Lengthened Their Front of Attack Before Verdun to About Two Miles—West of the Meuse They Kept Up Bombardment Without Effect

Heavy masses of troops are still being hurled by the Germans against the defenses of Verdun, which are being tested to the limit at the vital points. The French are offering tenacious resistance, and according to Paris have succeeded in pressing back the crown prince's forces between Douaumont and Vaux.

Paris, April 3.—The fighting continued all night in the Verdun region, east of the Meuse between Douaumont and Vaux. The issue turned generally, the French war office says, in favor of the French who gained ground in the northern part of the Caillette wood which was occupied by the Germans yesterday. West of the Meuse the bombardment was carried on near Haumont without effect. The statement says that in yesterday's fighting the Germans lengthened their front of attack to about two miles.

The French official statement of last night told about the success of the Germans in the Caillette wood as follows: "To the east of the Meuse the action was very spirited throughout the day in the region of Douaumont and Vaux. The Germans after a bombardment of extreme violence with shells of heavy calibre directed four simultaneous attacks with effectives of more than one division on our positions between Fort Douaumont and the village of Vaux. Southeast of Fort Douaumont they penetrated Caillette wood, but our counter-attacks delivered immediately drove them back in the northern part of the wood. South of Vaux our line runs along the immediate outskirts of the village, the last ruined houses of which we have evacuated."

Germans Cleared 1,000 Yards of Trenches. Berlin, April 3, via London.—The German official statement issued yesterday announces that Teuton troops have cleared 1,000 yards of French trenches northeast of Haumont in addition to the positions taken March 30. The Germans took 731 prisoners in the battle of Vaux March 31. The report tells of the repulse of a French counter-attack after a terrific artillery bombardment near Vaux.

## MINOR BRITISH SUCCESSES

Were Reported Last Night in Official Statement.

London, April 3.—The British official communication issued last evening says: "Last night at St. Eloi we captured an officer and four men. The grenade fighting continues. "The artillery of both sides has been active about Souchez, Angres, St. Eloi, Loos and Ypres. There has been mining activity by both sides about Hulluch and the Hohenzollern redoubt. "Two hostile aeroplanes were driven down behind the German lines. One of our machines which was sent out yesterday is missing."

GERMAN WARFARE  
ON COMMERCE  
IS CONTINUED

Both Norwegian and British Vessels, Some of Them of Large Tonnage, Have Been Sunk in Last Few Days.

London, April 3.—The British steamship Perth has been sunk. Six members of the crew were lost, and eight have been landed. The Perth was unarmed. (The records show that there are three British steamships named Perth.) The British steamer Goldmouth has been sunk and her crew, two members of which are suffering from injuries, was landed at Jernazene, says a Lloyd's dispatch from that place dated Saturday. The Goldmouth was of 7,446 gross tonnage and was owned by the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum company of London. The British steamship Ashburton has been sunk by shrapnel shells fired by a German submarine. Five members of the crew have been taken to a hospital. The vessel, according to the Exchange Telegraph company, was not armed. The steamer sailed from New Zealand February 23 for London and was last reported as leaving Montevideo, Uruguay, March 1. The vessel was of 4,445 tons gross.

Lloyd's reports that the Norwegian steamship Peter Hamre was sunk Saturday night while at anchor. One man, the

sole survivor of the crew of 15, has been landed from the Kentish Knock lightship. The Peter Hamre had a tonnage of 1,080 gross and was owned at Bergen, Norway.

The British liner Achilles was sunk Friday. Four members of her crew are missing. The captain and 62 other persons from the steamer have been landed. The Achilles was in the trade between Australia and England. She was a vessel of 7,042 tons gross and owned by the Ocean Steamship company of Liverpool. She sailed from Sydney, N. S. W., January 19 for London and Liverpool. The last report of the Achilles shows that she left Cape Town March 6.

Lloyd's reports the sinking of the Norwegian steamship Alimento, 1,076 tons gross. One man of the crew was drowned, the others being saved.

The Norwegian steamer Norge, 1,224 tons, and the British schooner John Pritch, 118 tons, have been sunk, the crews of both vessels being rescued.

A Lloyd dispatch from Plymouth last night says: "The steamer City of Stockholm has arrived with all the crew of the Norwegian bark Bell, of 3,765 tons, from Portland, Ore., for the United Kingdom."

The Swedish steamer Hollandia of 1,156 tons, is believed to have been sunk. All the crew were saved.

The Norwegian steamer Hans Gude of 1,115 tons, is reported to have been sunk by a submarine. The crew was saved."

## CONFESSED MURDER.

Man Who Said He Then Tried Suicide By Shooting.

New Bedford, Mass., April 3.—An alleged confession that he had shot Mrs. Geoffrey of Fall River at the Stag hotel Saturday night and had then shot himself, was made last night by Peter Smirnov while lying on a hospital cot, according to the police. The police said that Smirnov had first accused another man of the shooting but after this man had been locked up Smirnov himself admitted that he had himself shot the woman during a quarrel over money and had then attempted suicide.

Mrs. Geoffrey was found dead in one of the rooms of the hotel and Smirnov later staggered into a barber shop with a story that he had been held up and shot. Physicians believe that Smirnov has about an even chance for recovery. He has a bullet wound in the body.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Fred Prouty of Wellington street returned Saturday from a two weeks' vacation spent in Philadelphia.

Regular meeting of Ladies' Auxiliary to Clan Gordon will be held Tuesday evening, April 4, at 7:15 o'clock. Death assessment due.

Arthur C. Moore of Beacon street, who submitted to an operation at the City hospital several weeks ago, was able to return to his home yesterday. Mr. Moore is making encouraging progress toward recovery.

Miss Elizabeth Garthwaite, who has been visiting relatives in East Barre for the past fortnight, was a visitor in the city this morning while on the way to her home in Leeds, P. Q.

Regular business meeting and social of the Congregational Philathea class at the church Tuesday night, April 4. Members please wear gymnasium suit or middie calender, or anything suitable for an athletic meet.

Harold Knight left this noon for Boston, where he will join his mother, who left for that place some time ago. H. W. Knight will remain in the city for some time longer, until the remainder of the stock of the H. W. Knight company is closed out.

Miss Edna Dasher is spending a few days at her home on Washington street before returning to her school in Chelsea. Miss Dasher accompanied the graduating class of Chelsea high school on their trip to Washington, D. C., during the vacation.

Howard Parks, the small son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Parks of Pleasant street returned from a visit to a nearby sugar orchard last week with what he considered a sure sign that summer was here.

The little fellow came into the house with his hand tightly closed and after much coaxing opened it to display a real live grasshopper. Other people have heard robbers and seen buds starting but this is the first case reported of the appearance of the mid-summer pest.

To-night the city council met for its regular monthly session. The report of the city in respect to the task of approving for the first time the grant of warrants that represent the accumulation of four weeks of city business. It is expected that the city committee will report on W. A. Lane's application for a permit to remodel the brick house at 68 South Main street into a garage, with the addition of a second story.

It is expected that he will be permitted to erect a sizeable annex for a machine shop. As David Gilbertson has qualified as wire inspector, the necessity of confirming a new nominee has passed.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday and to-day were the following people: W. E. Shaw of Northfield, Misses Maude and Etta Randall of Lynn, Mass., W. G. Farrell of Norwich, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson of Northfield, R. B. Streeter of Allentown, Pa., Henry E. Steadman of Clinton, Mass., C. M. Lawrence of Williamstown, J. P. Magill of Newport, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Goodenough of Northfield, R. W. Swinger of Burlington, R. T. Gordon of Lakeport, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Quinby of Boston, Mrs. Ella Cushman of Middlebury, W. L. Jones of Windsor, Henry Heflinger of Auburn, N. Y., E. W. Haguenus of Waterbury and E. R. Prescott of Franklin, N. H.

East Montpelier authorities are holding young Frank Calverio of Cambria street to strict account for the death of two turkeys on a farm near that village Saturday afternoon. Over Sunday an autopsy on the birds determined that death had ensued from bullet wounds, the missiles apparently proceeding from a rifle. For reasons of their own, the authorities settled suspicion on young Calverio, who was arrested at his home this morning by Deputy Sheriff Frank E. Blodan on complaint made to Grand Juror A. G. Whitehead of East Montpelier, Calverio, who is 14 years old, accompanied the deputy to East Montpelier, where it was expected that a hearing would be held. It is alleged by the officers that Calverio shot the turkeys and then disappeared.

Death of Woman at Adamant. Helen M. Bright, widow of Spifford A. Wright, died at her home in Adamant Sunday, aged 79 years. The funeral is to be held Tuesday afternoon.

REDOUBLED  
FURY MARKS  
AIR ATTACKS

German Zeppelin Bombarded French Town of Dunkirk Last Night and Killed Two Civilians, According to French Official Statement To-day

ENGLAND, SCOTLAND,  
ALSO ATTACKED

It Was the Third Consecutive Nightly Raid Upon England, and the Total Casualties Are Mounting into Considerable Figures

Zeppelins were over the eastern section of Scotland and the northeastern and eastern counties of England from 9 o'clock last night until 1 o'clock this morning in the third great raid of German air fleets in as many nights. Details of the latest raid as to casualties and damage are still lacking. The Friday night and Saturday night raids resulted in 59 people being killed and 166 wounded.

Berlin's accounts of Saturday night's and last night's raids declared that blast furnaces, large iron works and industrial plants on the river Tees and establishments of Middleborough and Sunderland were hit, inflicting heavy damage and causing explosions and fires.

Paris, April 3.—A Zeppelin appeared over Dunkirk last night and threw bombs which killed two civilians.

Scotland Coast Bombarded. London, April 3.—The coast of Scotland and the northern and southern counties of England were attacked by Zeppelins last night, according to an announcement of the secretary of war, which says:

"A Zeppelin raid took place Sunday night when the coast of Scotland and the northern and southern counties of England were attacked. Bombs were dropped at various places. No details are available."

Saturday Night's Visitation. Another Zeppelin raid on England Saturday night was described in an official communication as follows:

"Two airships approached the northeast coast Saturday night. Only one crossed the coast. The other turned back. "For the present we know that 16 persons were killed and about 100 injured. "Eight dwelling houses were demolished and a serious fire was caused in a French polishing shop."

A correspondent in a northeast coast town says that a Zeppelin was sighted there at 11 o'clock Saturday night. It dropped 15 explosives and seven incendiary bombs. Ten men, three women and three children were killed and 25 persons were seriously injured. In addition about 80 others received minor injuries.

A tram car inspector was killed and a woman tram conductor had a leg blown off. Several houses were wrecked in one street. One house was completely wrecked, but the family of five managed to scramble out without serious injury.

Increased Casualties of Friday Night's Raid. A statement by the official press bureau last night gave added information concerning the Zeppelin raid of Friday night, as follows:

"The total casualties reported in the Zeppelin raid on the night of March 31-April 1 now amounts to 623 killed and 90 injured. Nearly 200 explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped.

"A Baptist chapel, three dwelling houses and two cottages were demolished. A town hall, four dwelling houses, 35 cottages and a tram car shed were partly wrecked. There was no military damage.

"A number of our aeroplanes went up to attack the raiders. Lieutenant Brandon, R. F. C., riding 6000 feet saw a Zeppelin about 2000 feet above him. At 9:00 feet he got over it and attacked, dropping several bombs, three of which he believes too effect.

"Later, he got over the airship again and let off two more bombs over her nose. His own machine was hit many times by machine gun bullets. This may have been the Zeppelin which dropped a machine gun, ammunition, a petrol tank and machinery or possibly that which came down off the Thames estuary."

TWO KILLED BY TIMBER. Melting Ice Causes Pile to Collapse at Portland.

Portland, Me., April 3.—Two boys were fatally injured and another seriously hurt at the Richardson Dana & company lumber yard yesterday afternoon when a pile of lumber beside which they were walking toppled over onto them. The dead are: COLEMAN McDONOUGH, aged 16, PATRICK DUFE, aged 19.

John Palmer, aged 18, was cut and bruised, but will recover.

It is supposed that ice melting under the lumber caused the pile to collapse. McDONOUGH was struck on the head by a heavy piece of timber and sustained a fractured skull, dying almost instantly. DUFF had his face crushed. He was taken to the Maine General hospital, where he lived but a few hours. All three belong to this city.

25 MEN INJURED  
IN BUFFALO, N. Y.

Plant of Otis Elevator Company Had Big Explosion To-day—Many Men are Expected to Die.

Buffalo, N. Y., April 3.—Twenty-five men were injured, several of them probably fatally, in an explosion at the plant of the Otis Elevator company to-day. The accident is attributed to an explosion of a gas tank in the factory, but what caused the tank to blow up has not been ascertained. One hundred men were working in the building at the time.

## RICH TREASURES IN ANTIQUES

Have Been Added to the Collection of Barre Historical Society.

A most desirable addition has recently been made to the line of portraits on the walls of the historical room. This gift to the Barre Historical society is from F. L. Mackenzie of Woodstock, and is the portrait of George W. Collamer, father of the late Mrs. Mackenzie.

This picture is a valuable acquisition, both because of its artistic merits and also because it is the likeness of one who, in the middle of the 19th century, was a very prominent citizen of Barre.

First a clerk under Major Ira Day, soon Mr. Collamer, by his thrift and business sagacity, became proprietor of the old "checkered store" recently replaced by the new Aldrich building. The Collamer residence was the brick house which occupied the site where Hotel Barre and the Baptist church now stand.

Mr. Collamer was prominently identified with the public affairs of the day. He was a trustee of Barre academy for many years and was one of the most generous contributors and earnest workers to make possible the erection of the "brick church" in its present locality, and when the bell was rung, it was his privilege to take the tongue upon his shoulder and, mounting the ladder to the belfry, sound the heavy clapper into place and sound the first stroke upon the bell. Mr. Collamer was born in 1803 and died in 1894.

The cabinets in the historical room have also received valuable accessions through the kindness of Mrs. R. B. Fowler of Worcester, Mass. Several of the articles are of more than usual historical interest and antiquarian value. Among them is a large covered china mug, which was used in the old Gospel Village tavern when it was owned and managed by Chapin Keith in 1810 and later; a blue and white sugar bowl, which has been a valued possession in Mrs. Fowler's family for 150 years; an accordion used in 1850 by Henry Wood, who, of Barre's sons, is one of those distinguished as forceful writers; two silhouettes in gilt frames of Stillman and Harriet Clark Wood, taken about the time of their wedding in 1822; a pink satin slipper worn by Judith Baker in 1799 on the day of her marriage to Ezekiel Wood; a needle-book made from pieces of the gay silk waistcoat worn by the latter the same day. The home of this couple for many years was a farm in Gospel Village, a portion of which is now Elmwood cemetery.

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SECOND BATTLE  
WITH BANDITS  
IS REPORTED

American Cavalrymen Said to Have Caught Up with the Fleeing Bandits and to Have Engaged in Conflict with Them, the Place Not Divulged

NO REPORT MADE  
TO HEADQUARTERS

Villa Himself Is Said to Be in Hands of His Men, Who Are Escorting Him Deep into the Mountains for Concealment

## Camp of General Pershing at the Front,

April 2, via Aeroplane to Colonia Dublan and via radio to Columbus, N. M., April 3.—American cavalrymen encountered the fleeing forces of Villa men near—

(deleted) early to-day and sounds of firing were heard from that direction, but no report has been made to headquarters as to the result.

The mountains of Guerrero are being combed thoroughly for Villa but nothing has been learned as to his whereabouts other than that the bandit is said to be carried further into the mountains in his jolting coach.

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